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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3653

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
SAKAE ISHIKAWA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: MICHAEL E. BUTLER
SERIAL NO: 09/848,764 :
FILED: MAY 4, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 3653
FOR: METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR :
MANAGING RACK OPERATION,
METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR
MANAGING MULTISTAGE RACK,
ARTICLE CONVEYANCE AND
STORAGE DEVICE, AND COMPUTER
PRODUCT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 31, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.